

# TYR

- The cities fell often under *tyrannies*, which spring naturally out of popular governments.
2. Unreluctant and cruel power.
- Boundless intemperance
- In nature is a *tyranny*; it hath been  
Th'untimely emptying of the happy throne,  
And fall of many kings.
3. Cruel government; rigorous command.
- Bleed, bleed, poor country!
- Great *tyranny* lay thou thy basis sure,  
For goodness dares not check thee.
- Suspicious dispose kings to *tyranny*, and husbands to jealousy.
- God in judgment just,  
Subjects him from without to violent lords;  
Who oft as undeservedly intral  
His outward freedom; *tyranny* must be.
4. Severity; rigour; inclemency.
- The *tyranny* of the open night's too rough  
For nature to endure.
- TYRANNY. *n. f.* [*tyrannos*, Gr.; *tyrannus*, Latin.] Rowland contends that this word, with the correspondent Greek and Latin, is derived from *tir*, Welch and Erie, land, and *ban-ner*, Welch, to share, *q. d.* *tirbaner*, a sharer, or divider of and among his vassals.]

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1. An absolute monarch governing imperiously.
2. A cruel despotick and severe matter; an oppressor.
- Love to a yielding heart is a king, but to a resisting is a *tyrant*.
- I would not be the villain that thou think'st,  
For the whole space that's in the *tyrant's* grasp,  
And the rich cast to boot.
- Dissembling courtesy! how fine this *tyrant*  
Can tickle where she wounds!
- The house of woe, and dungeon of our *tyrant*.
- Consider those grand agents and lieutenants of the devil, by whom he scourges and plagues the world under him, to wit, *tyrants*; and was there ever any *tyrant* who was not also false and perfidious!
- Thou meant'st to kill a *tyrant*, not a king.  
When *tyrant* custom had not shack'd man,  
But free to follow nature was the mode.
- TYRE. *n. f.* [Properly *tire*.] See TIRE.
- I have seen her beset and bedecked all over with emeralds and pearls, ranged in rows about the *tyre* of her head.
- TYRO. *n. f.* [Properly *tire*, as in the Latin.] One yet not master of his art; one in his rudiments.
- There stands a structure on a rising hill,  
Where *tyro's* take their freedom out to kill.



# U

- Who, with a body fill'd, and vacant mind,  
Gets him to rest, cramm'd with distressful bread.
- The duke had a pleasant and vacant face, proceeding from a singular assurance in his temper.
- Some vain amusement of a vacant soul.
- To VACATE. *v. a.* [*vacare*, Latin.]
1. To annul; to make void; to make of no authority.

# V

## VAC

- V. Has two powers, expressed in modern English by two characters, *V* consonant and *U* vowel, which ought to be considered as two letters; but as they were long confounded while the two uses were annexed to one form, the old custom still continues to be followed.
- U*, the vowel, has two sounds; one clear, expressed at other times by *eu*, as *ebullire*, the other close, and approaching to the Italian *u*, or English *oo*, as *obtusum*.
- V*, the consonant, has a sound nearly approaching to those of *b* and *f*. With *b* it is by the Spaniards and Gascons always confounded, and in the Runick alphabet is expressed by the same character with *f*, distinguished only by a diacritical point. Its sound in English is uniform. It is never mute.
- VACANCY. *n. f.* [from *vacant*.]
1. Empty space; vacuity.
- How is't  
That thus you bend your eye on *vacancy*,  
And with th'incorporal air do hold discourse? *Sh. Hamlet.*
2. Chasm; space unfilled.
- The reader finds a wide *vacancy*, and knows not how to transport his thoughts to the next particular, for want of some connecting idea.
3. [Vacans, Fr.] State of a post or employment when it is unsupplied.
- In the *vacancy* of a bishop, the guardian of the spiritualities was summon'd to parliament in the bishop's room.
4. [Vacans, Fr.] Time of leisure; relaxation; intermission; time unengaged.
- If, sometimes, each other's eyes we meet,  
Those little *vacancies* from toil are sweet.
- The daily intervals of time and *vacancies* from necessary labour, together with the one day in seven in the christian world, allow sufficient time.
5. Little spaces; emptiness of thought.
- When alone, or in company, they sit still without doing any thing, I like it worse; for all dispositions to idleness or *vacancies*, even before they are habits, are dangerous.
- VACANT. *adj.* [*vacant*, Fr. *vacans*, Latin.]
1. Empty; unfilled; void.
- Why should the air so impetuously rush into the cavity of the receiver, if there were before no *vacant* room to receive it.
- A better race to bring into their *vacant* room.
2. Free; unencumbered; unoccupied.
- Religion is the interest of all; but philosophy of those only that are at leisure, and *vacant* from the affairs of the world.
- A very little part of our life is so *vacant* from uneasiness, as to leave us free to the attraction of remoter good.
3. Not filled by an incumbent, or possessor.
- Left the fiend invade *vacant* possession.
- Others when they allowed the throne *vacant*, thought the succession should immediately go to the next heir.
4. Being at leisure; disengaged.
- They which have the government, scatter the army abroad, and place them in villages to take their victuals of them, at such *vacant* times as they lie not in camp.
- Sir John Berkeley was the more *vacant* for that service, by the reduction of Barnstable.
- The memory relieves the mind in her *vacant* moments, and prevents any chafins of thought, by ideas of what is past.
5. Thoughtless; empty of thought; not busy.
- The wretched slave,  
Who, with a body fill'd, and vacant mind,  
Gets him to rest, cramm'd with distressful bread.
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## VAG

- That after-act *vacating* the authority of the precedent, tells the world that some remorse touched even Strafford's most implacable enemies.
2. To make *vacant*; to quit possession of.
3. To defat; to put an end to.
- He *vacates* my revenge;  
For while he trusts me, 'twere so base a part  
To fawn, and yet betray.
- VACATION. *n. f.* [*vacation*, Fr. *vacatio*, Latin.]
1. Intermission of juridical proceedings, or any other stated employments; recess of courts or senates.
- Vacation* is all that time which passes between term and term, at London.
- As these clerks want not their full task of labour during the open term, so there is for them whereupon to be occupied in the *vacation* only.
2. Leisure; freedom from trouble or perplexity.
- Benefit of peace, quiet, and *vacation* for piety, have rendered it necessary in every christian commonwealth, by laws to secure propriety.
- VACUARY. *n. f.* [*vacca*, Latin.] a cow-house; a cow-pasture.
- VACILLANCY. *n. f.* [*vacillans*, from *vacillo*, Lat. *vacillans*, Fr.] A state of wavering; fluctuation; inconstancy. Not much in use.
- I deny that all mutability implies imperfection; though some does, as that *vacillancy* in human souls, and such mutations as are found in corporeal matter.
- VACILLATION. *n. f.* [*vacillatio*, from *vacillo*, Lat. *vacillatio*, Fr.] The act or state of reeling or staggering.
- The muscles keep the body upright, and prevent its falling, by readily assisting against every *vacillation*.
- VACUITY. *n. f.* [from *vacuum*.] A philosopher that holds a *vacuum*: opposed to a *plenist*.
- Those spaces, which the *vacuists* would have to be empty, because they are manifestly devoid of air, the *plenists* do not prove replenished with subtle matter.
- VACUATION. *n. f.* [*vacuus*, Latin.] The act of emptying.
- VACUITY. *n. f.* [*vacuitas*, from *vacuus*, Lat. *vacuité*, Fr.]
1. Emptiness; State of being unfilled.
- Hunger is such a state of *vacuity*, as to require a fresh supply of aliment.
2. Space unfilled; space unoccupied.
- In filling up *vacuities*, turning out shadows and ceremonies, by explicit prescription of substantial duties, which those shadows did obscurely represent.
- He, that seat soon falling, meets  
A vast *vacuity*.
- Body and space are quite different things, and a *vacuity* is interspersed among the particles of matter.
- God, who alone can answer all our longings, and fill every *vacuity* of our soul, should intirely possess our heart.
3. Inanity; want of reality.
- The soul is seen, like other things, in the mirror of its effects; but if they'll run behind the glass to catch at it, their expectations will meet with *vacuity* and emptiness.
- VACUOUS. *adj.* [*vacuus*, Lat. *vacuus*, Fr.] Empty; unfilled.
- Boundless the deep, because I AM who fill  
Infinite: nor *vacuous* the space.
- VACUUM. *n. f.* [Latin.] Space unoccupied by matter.
- Our enquiries about *vacuum*, or space and atoms, will shew us some good practical lessons.
- To VADE. *v. n.* [*vade*, Latin.] To vanish; to pass away.
- VAGABOND. *adj.* [*vagabundus*, low Latin. *vagabond*, Fr.]
1. Wandering without any settled habitation; wanting a home.